

Beginning this morning all clothing in our Children's Department (second floor) is offered for a few days at

HALF

PRICE

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Every Short Pants Suit, including Two-piece Suits, Suits with vests-Sailor and Blouse Suits and Reefer Suits, all Overcoats

BONA FIDE CIRCULATION.

The circulation of The Times for

the week ended January 22, 1897,

Saturday, January 16 36,700

Total copies printed..... 238,402

stands and branch offices, 12,816

I hereby certify that the above

a correct statement of circula-

WILLIAM P. LEECH,

Manager of Circulation.

tion for the week ended January 22,

Advertisers are cordially invited

The Times has a regular and per-

manent Family Circulation much

greater than any other paper, morn-

ing or evening, published in Wash-

Medium it has no competitor.

Notice Advertisers!

patrons, as heretofore.

The Times Ad-Writing Bureau

has been reorganized, and effi-

cient service will be given to all

City Brevities

The twelfth annual banquet of the Fire

Underwriters' Association will be held at

A permit was issued to Laura V. Hessler

829 First street northeast, the cost of the

Davidson & Davidson obtained a permi

yesterday for the repair of the dwelling at No. 1472 Park street, Mount Pleas

ant, recently damaged by fire, the esti

The powerful steamer Newport News

captain said she had to plow her way from

carrier pigeon, which flew into his house

in an exhausted condition. Mr. Burns resides at No. 421 Ninth street southwest.

A change in the police regulations touch

ing the placing of obstructions on the pub-

lic streets has been ordered by the Com-missioners, which makes it obligatory upon

the party who causes the obstruction to have a lighted lamp on the same each night

The first clause of section 5 of article

10 of the police regulations has been

amended by the Commissioners so as to provide that "all vehicles moving upon

the streets shall keep upon the right side

thereof, and in stopping at the curb shall

keep it upon the right side." This rule is

Fast Trains a Fad.

schedule and arriving at destination on time

seem to be a fad with rallroads that is prov-

ing profitable. The last two in the field are

Nos. 97 and 98, on the Baltimore and Ohi

Southwestern and Baltimore and Ohio, from

St. Louisto New York and vice versa. The east-bound train is scheduled at 86 hours

from St. Louis to New York, 75 hours to

Philadelphia and 70 lours to Paltimore.

The west-tound time is even faster, being 60 hours from New York, 55 from Phila-

delhia and 50 from Paltimore. Arrange

ments have been made by the Baltimore and

and Ohio Southwestern to load cars at St.

Heart Disease Relieved in 30 Mir

Heart Disease Relieved in 30 Minutes.—Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart gives perfect relief in all cases of Organic or Sympathetic Heart Disease in 30 minutes, and speedily effects a cure. It is a pecrless remedy for Paipitation, Shortness of Breath, Smothering Spells, Pain in Left Side and all symptoms of a Diseased Heart. One dose convinces.

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Sold by F. S. Williams & Co., Ninth and
Patreets, and Edmonds & Williams, Third
and Pennsylvania avenue.

Louis direct for the Eastern cities.

Fast freight trains running on passenger

it may be retained.

salt water through three inches of ice.

mated cost of the work being \$645.

improvement being \$2,500.

the construction of a dwelling at No

Masonic Temple this evening at 7:30.

to visit our press and mailing rooms

at all times and verify the above

24,150

35,580

35,460

Sunday, January 17
Monday, January 18
Tuesday, January 19
Wednesday, January 20

Thursday, January 21 Friday, January 22.

Less damaged copies, copies

unsold in office and copies

returned from news

was as follows:

and Ulsters, every Reefer and every pair of Trousersnot one reserved and all at ONE-HALF of regular marked prices.

Men's Winter Overcoats, too, are half price.

Men's Suits, Men's and Boys' Shoes, Hats and Furnishings ONE-THIRD OFF.

Robinson, Chery & Co. Twelfth and F Streets N. W.

What's cut off

our regular prices of House We're shearing right and left. You can't judge of value by figures now. Ours are worth more

"Your Credit is Good."

House & Herrmann,

Liberal Furnishers, Corner Seventh and I Streets. ***********

COMFORTING prices here for cold weather clothing—these prices prove our purpose to clear all winter goods quickly.

Men's Black and Blue Cheviot Suits, never sold for less than \$8......\$2.75 Men's Cassimere Suits, never sold for less than \$10....\$4.00 Fine Heavy Chinchilla Storm Uts-ters, worth \$10, for \$1.50

Men's Overcoats. Blue and Black Ker-seys, never sold for less than \$8.,\$3.78 All-wool Kersey Overcoats, worth any-where \$1., for \$4.50

H. Friedlander & Bro. Cor. 9th and E Streets N. W.



Regular marked prices for your choice of any Winter Suit or Overcoat in our entire stock, Your size is here NOW -may not be-if you

M. Dyrenforth & Co., 621 Pennsylvania Avc. N. W., Under Metropolitan Hotel.

This is the price w quote for a fine Eng-lish Diagonal Cut-away Cost and Vest, and a Trousers from sh materials—to your

MERTZ & MERTZ. New Era Tailors 906 F ST. **** ***

THE JULIUS LANSBURGH FURNITURE & CARPET CO., permanently located at 1226 F st. nw.,

CRAIG & BARDING'S OLD STAND

Ours are not wines and liquor of doubt-their quality-their pur ity and their cheapness are always assured at P.ckford's, s. w. cor. 9th and La. Ave.

Morning and Sunday

Times,

35c Per Month.

MET FOR THE FIRST TIME

The Lady Managers of the New Episcopal Hospital.

Twelve Committees Will Be Formed, One for Each Month, to Audit the Accounts of the Institution and Take Complete Charge of All Its Business Affairs,

The initial meeting of the board of lady managers for the "Episcopal Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital" was held in St. John's Parish Hall at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The board is composed of one or more ladies selected from the congregation of each of the Episcopal churches in the District of Columbia by the board of governors of the bospital. Owing to the fact that many members were unable to be present, by reason of sickness, the board did not organize yesterday, as was at first intended. Instead, those present listened to several addresses regarding the field to be covered by the new institution, and the duties of the

board of lady governors.

After a prayer by Rev. Dt. Randolph Mc-Kim, of Epiphany Church, Mrs. I. C. Keiton and Mrs. Susie Johnston were elected to fill the posts, respectively, of chairman and secretary for the meeting. Mr. William D. Baldwin, first vice president of the board of governors, explained that the organization of the board was necessarily postponed until the next meeting. In closing, be introduced Rev. Dr. Aspinwall, of St. Thomas' Church.

The Times Dr. Aspinwall congratulated the mem bers upon the work which they have been Coing in their respective churches in behalf of the new hospital. This institution, he aid, would be a lasting monument to the members of the Episcopal Church in Wash ington, for it would meet a want which has

Dr. O. P. Beit, secretary of the board of governors, explained what the duties of the lady managers would consist. The oard, which will be composed of about seventy-five members, will be divided into welve committees, one for each month of the year. Each committee, during the onth to which it is assigned, will assume full charge of the running expenses of the hospital. It will receive and audit the the treasury to defray them. A member will be expected to contribute nothing to the hospital except a part of her time and attent on during the month in which her ommittee acts.

At the close of Dr Belt's address a committee consisting of Mrs. Mary E. Smoot. Miss Fanny Gibbs and Miss Frederica L Rodgers was appointed to confer with a similar committee from the board of man agers to draw up a set of rules for the government of the board of lady manager The meeting thereupon adjourned until

Friday, Ferbuary 12, at 4:15 p. m. Those present were Mrs. Susie Johnston ies P. Mills, Mrs. P. M. Prescott, Mrs. H. H. Carter, Mrs. S. M. James, Mrs. May F. Smoot, Mrs. Charles E. Buck, Miss Minnie A. Mason, Mrs. Walter Wheatley. Mrs. Frank Smith, Mrs. F. M. Alexander, Mrs. J. J. M. Sellman, Mrs. Randolph Coyle, Miss Alice Sawyer and Miss B C

PHILIP MELANCTHON.

The Great Reformer's Anniversary to Be Celebrated Here,

ington. As a News and Advertising The celebration of the 400th anniversary of the birth of Phillip Melancthon, the scholar of the German reformation, is to If patrons of The Times, whether assume more than local importance in in the city or suburbs, who do not this city. The Luthermas of Washington get a prompt and regular delivery are to have a two-day observance, beginwill notify the office, the irregularities will have immediate attenuntil the evening of the following day. the article to be delivered. On the 15th the services will be held in the Memorial Lutheran Church, in Luther Place, in front of which the Luther statue

At this preeting the Hon. Knutc Nelson, of Minnesota, in which State there are a large number of Scandinavian Lutherans, will preside and make the introductory address. The principal address of the occasion will be delivered by Hon. George L. Weilington, of Maryland, and he will be followed by the Rev. Dr. J. H. W. Stuckenberg, now of Boston, but formerly pastor of the American Lutheran Chapel, in

The celebration of this Mclancthon an niversary will be general throughout the country, among Lutherans, elaborate plans having been made in New York, where the speakers will be Prof. E. J. Walf, D. D., of Gettysburg, Pa., and E. Agustus Miller, of Philadelphia. Celebrations are to be held in Pittsburg, Chicago, Buffalo, and Minneapolis.

ANOTHER DIPHTHERIA CASE,

The Woman Was Admitted to Provi dence Hospital for Treatment, Santtary Officer Frank received a mes-

reached her wharf in this city yesterday one hour and twenty minutes late. The sage Tirursday afternoon that a woman in a house south of Pennsylvania avenue, at No. 301 Thirteen-and-a-half street, was Night Detective Clerk Robert Burns is ill of sore throat and asked that somelooking for the owner of a slate-colored thing be done for her relief. The case was at once reported to the health office and an investigation made.

The case proves to be a clearly defined one of diphtheria, and yesterday morning the proprietress called at Dr. Woodward's office with the information that her application for the admission of the woman to the hospital had been refused until she could produce some authority to youch for the admission. She begged to have the patient removed at once. She had taken the woman in through kindness, she said, not knowing that she had a contagious dis

Dr. Woodward telephoned to Providence Hospital and received a response that the sick woman would be admitted there, and she was removed to that institution as soon as practicable.

The house from which the woman wa removed was ordered to be closed at once, and will be disinfected this morning.

Restraining Order Granted. The application of George Moxley for a restraining order to prevent Arthur L. Thompson, a coal dealer, from leasing an more firm, was acted upon yesterday by

advertising privilege to Rife & Houck, Judge Cox. Mr. Thompson in his answer alleged that the Moxley people had not kept their agreement. The court granted a permanent injunction. Mr. Moxley will continue to use Mr. Thompson's fence for the posting of advertising signs for another

The Traction Company Sued, George W. Lash yesterday filed suit against the Capital Traction Company, for \$15,000. The plaintiff charges that he was a passenger on a Seventh street cable car, August 26 last, and when attempting to get off the car was thrown into the street and badly bruised and injured. Mr. Lash is represented by Attorneys Barrett and Niles

Last Great Day of Our Now Famous January Shoe Sale! THEIR DUTIES EXPLAINED January Shoe Sale!

This has been a harvest month for economical shoe buyers. We had to use desperate measures to decrease our unusually large winter stock of Shoes. We have succeeded at a great loss to ourselves-but yet we have made thereby many new friends and customers, who are now convinced that no better or handsomer Shoes than ours can be found anywhere in Washington. Don't fall to attend the last day of this January sale.

Such qualities as the following will not again be offered at such prices as these for many a day:

...\$1.65 Misses'andLadies'Spring-Heel, best grade, box-calf Shoes, \$2 qualities, at.....\$1.35

dressy and very durable, on two handsome styles, \$1.50 qualities \$1.20

Boys' Satin Calf Shoes,

Ladies' Kangaroo Calfand fine Dongola Boots, laced or button, \$1.75 quanties, at

15c.

Men's fine Hand-made Box Caif, gennine Cor-dovan and Kangaroo Shoes, \$4 qualities, at., \$2.65

Men'sFlexible,Goodycar Sewed Shoes, with best Onk-tanned soles. \$2.50 Qualities \$1.85

Ladles' Hand-sewed, finest French, Cloth Top, Kid and Box Caif Boots, \$2.50 qualities, at \$1.65

87c

59c.

Ladies' good Black | loth 50c Overgatters Men's and Ladies'
\$1 and \$1,25 "Marvel"
Pure Gum Rubbers. WM. HAHN & CO.'S

Reliable Shoe Houses. 930 and 932 7th st.; 1914 and 1916 Pa, ave.; 233 Pa, ave. S: E:

The Commissioners Amend the Medical Society's Bill.

FEATURES OF THE MEASURE

Absolute Provision Against Sale of Adulterated Articles-Drugs to Be Gauged by the United States Pharmacopeia-Penalties Prescribed for Violations of the Law.

Congress, with suggested amendments, the bill prepared by the Medical Society of the District, and introduced on the 6th instant by Mr. McCormick, of the House of Representatives. The measure provides absolutely that no adulterated foods or drugs shall be sold or exchanged within District territory, the term "drug" including all medicines for external or internal use. antisepties, dishifectants and cosmetics; and "food" embracing confectionery, con diments and all articles of food and urink. Purchasers of both food and drugs are protected by an amendment against those who would sell an inferior grade of either, the third section being changed so as to provide that where there are two or more qualities of the same article on sale, the best shall be furnished unless by agreement an inferior grade is accepted, by the buyer, who must be notified at the time ning on the 15th of February, and lasting of the purchase of the inferior quality of

The District courts are directed by the bill to construe this provision, and all others, liberally, "so as to prevent the mischief intended to be guarded against. Drugs shall be considered as adulterated when they are not of the strength, quality and perity laid down in the United States Pharmacopeia, or when sold under other than a recognized name, either in the pharmacopeia, or some other standard work.
Patent medicines come under the ban when their compounds lack any of the ingredients advertised or printed on the

bottles, wrappers or labels.

Imitation food must be sold under its proper name, and there must be no device employed to obscure its quality in order to deceive the purchaser. All foods are to be considered as adulterated if combined with any substance calculated to reduce its strength or quality.

The provisions of the act will apply to

coffee that has been sweated, to lard that has cotton oil in it, to tea that has been dyed, to sugars with glucose as a chief ingredient, and to adulterations in wines, fruit juices, bread, olive oil and other

Samples of foods and drugs are to be



far East are edu-cated to a life of pure sensual-ity. Wrong, of course, but the other extreme is nearly as bad Continually

nearly as bad. Continually ham mering away on the idea that anything connected with the reproduction of the human species is of necessity bad and degrading has bad, in civilized countries, the effect of keeping women in America are not perfect women in gnorance and disease. Four out of every five women in America are not perfect women in the sense of being perfectly healthy. They are not perfectly equipped for the performance of the duties of witchood and motherhood. Their training has made them feel that it is better to suffer in silence than to tell of their trouble and be cured.

The doctors are much to blame for this, because when treating the diseases peculiarly feminine they invariably insist on examination and local treatment. That these things are generally absolutely unnecessary has been proven by the wonderful success of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It is a positive specific for all forms of female weakness and disease. It purifies, strengthens and regulates the organs distinctively feminine, restoring them to a state of perfect health, and in so doing cures four-fifths of all the illness of women, for almost all womanly illnesses spring from this one cause.

Any woman who wants to know just how to use the "Forgotte Prescription" I and instinctively to use the "Forgotte Prescription" I are distinctively the prescription of the second o

womanly illnesses spring from this one cause.

Any woman who wants to know just how to use the "Favorite Prescription," and just what methods will be surely successful in her case, may have the desired information, free of cost if she will write to Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the only known cure for constipation, biliousness, heart-burn, and attendant ills. There are many temporary reliefs from these troubles, but only one cure. The "Pellets" do not gripe or cause any other unpleasantness. Druggists sell them—25 cents.

offected, under the operation of the law, and examined by the health office, and the seller of the goods under inspection is entitled to be present when the analysis shall be made The penalty prescribed for each viola-

tion varies from a fine of from \$5 to \$100 and the presecution of offenders must be in the police court. Where prosecutions are had, based upon an analysis of a sample found to be adulterated, the defendant may have a private analysis made of the same sample, for his own protection, and dealers in canned goods are exempted from the penalty if they show that the packages are in the same condition they were at the time they were purchased of the wholesale dealer or jobber, and that they were bought in good faith as pure and sold innocently.

THE STREET EXTENSION PLAN.

The Engineer Commission Has Completed Plats for Second Section,

The Engineer Commissioner has completed the plats of the second section of street extensions under the highway act and they are ready for submission to the commission, consisting of Secretary Lamont, Secretary Francis, and the chief of Engineers of the Army. Nothing can be done toward perfecting the system however, until after the United States Supreme Court shall have passed upon the case now pending, involving the constitu-tionality of the act. It is believed by It is believed by the District officials that the act will be sustained, in which event the second section will be submitted at once.

engineer Commissioner has nearly The completed the third section plans, also and has made considerable progress in the fourth and last section. He devotes one hour each day, and often more time to the study of the details, and will be so far advanced as to be able to place the the commission very soon after the court renders a decision, should it be favorable.

In case of an adverse ruling by the court, the matter will be greatly delayed. as the proceedings will have to be instituted anew, and the work done over from the beginning.

Suicide While Temporarily Insane, Chattanooga, Tenn., Jan. 29.-William S. Porter, captain of truck company No. 1, shot himself through the head this morn ing white laboring under temporary mental aberration. His trouble was due to a blow on the head received ten years since as a result of which at intervals of many months he fell a victim to fits of brooding melancholy, when he believed he was going CIBEY.

The strongest fortress in European Russia s Cronstadt. It is the Russian naval depot of the Baltic Sea.

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MAYER & PETTIT,

Low Prices Cut Lower!

We have made some startling reductions in our clothing department, which you will do well to take advantage of. Every garment is new fashionable—well made—well finished—low priced, even before the out—now ridiculously so. Open a credit account with us at once.

\$9 Ladies' Fine Kersey Jackets, faultless in cut and finish, reduced to \$4.98 \$5 Children's Jackets, various cloths, very stylish and warm, reduced to \$10 Men's All-woot Cheviot Suits, plain and fancy effects, reduced to.

\$10 Stylish Kersey Overcoats, nicely lined and weitfmished, reduced \$5.98 \$15 Very Handsome Kersey Overcoats, equal in every respect to cus-tom made, reduced to... \$8.50 54 Fine Dress Pants, finely tailored, various patterns. Reduced to.. \$1.98

\$6 Boys' Overcosts, thoroughly good and ser-viceable garments. Re-duced to \$15 Men's Fine Worsted Sults, tailored equal to custom-made sults—a great value, Reduced to

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Johnstons, 729 7th St

ARBUCKLE COFFEE.

HALF PRICE

Levering, 151/2c Levering package coffee today so a special at 15 1-26.

TODAY we willsell 3,060 pounds of Evaporated California Yellow Crawford beaches at 61-2c.—these are same quality quoted by grocers at 12 cents as a great bargain.

FOR 5C

TODAY—the bright, sweet, new Oregon Francs, worth 10 cents, will lead off at 5 cents per pound-Silver Francs at 7 cents—Large, Silver Promes at 7 cents—Large, Bright Pigs, at 10 cents, every one perfect—New Cal. Evap. Fears, Bartletts, at 10 cents—Seedless

Imported Raisins, 10c

In our Tea Department as a manificent bargain leader we will give each purchaser of one pound of 50-cent Tea or three pounds of 3 cent Java and Mocha Coffee, counts of Pert Granulated Sure

LARD, 6c

Condensed MILK

The Star Brand Condensed Milk today at 7 cents per can. BABY-BRAND (best for infants) will be 9 cents per can. Imperial Cream, 12 cents.

FOR 7c best large package of Oats, 7 cents, and the 12-cent pack-of Macaroni, 7 cents each.

FOR 19c Our special price for Cocoa, 19c, per package. Our Chocolate sale at 15c. per cake.

Best Butterine 14 Today the best 25-cent Butterine will be sold at 14 cents.

FOR 8c The Nic-Nac Sweet Crackers, worth 25 cents, will be a leader to-day at 8 cents—Best Mixed Cakes, 12 cents. Cream, Oyster and Soda Crackers, 5 cents.

FOR 10c The special for large 25-cent bot-es of Pickles and Chow-Chow, 10 ents each—quart bottles Bar Har-or Catsup, 10 cents.

Goods, 6c

FOR 9c The 12-cent large packages of repared Self-rising Buckwheat lour, 9 cents today.

FOR 15c

CANDY, 5c

BALL BLUE, 7c 100 balls of Blue in a box to go at 7 cents per box - 10 cent buttles. Ammonia at 5 cents-Large 10-cent bottles Blaing, 5 cents. 25c BROOMS, 10c

The 3-string 25-cent Brooms go at 10 cents each. BEST MATCHES, 12c SPICES, 10c We carry every kind of choicest and Purest Spices to be had in the world. Chinapon, Alispice, Cloves, Nutmegs, Mustard, Ginger, Cayenue Pepper, Black Pepper, Celery Seed, Mace, etc. All of these, both whole and ground—quarter of pound quan-tities.

Johnstons, 729 7th St

The Busy Corner, 8th and Market Space.

S. Kann, Sons & Co.

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All Day . . Saturday.

The entire day devoted to marking down our immense stock prior to our

SECOND GRAND

> Rebuilding Sale * * *

which begins

February 1.

We have leased the adjoining building, No. 311 8th street, and shall erect a four-story building 24x114, which will give us 11,000 feet more shopping space.

The prices which will prevail throughout the entire store will be startling. Arrange your dimes and

dollars for this grand save ing event.

S. KANN, SONS&CO. 8th and Market Space.

Emphatic **Furniture** Bargains.

Bedroom Suites, Parlor Suites, Dining Room Suites,

Rockers,

Couches,

Easy Chairs,

Etc., etc.

Banquet Lamps,

Desks.

ANYTHING We sell is at your service-CASH or CREDIT-and our prices are pecu-ing to this season of the year-Vmny Low. We'll be happy- to make terms as casy as you desire.

RUDDEN'S CREDIT HOUSE, 513 7th St.



TOLMAN'S STEAM LAUNDRY,

Get Ready For "Inauguration" Crowds.

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The saloons, cafes and stores that are lighted by electricity will get the biggest parronage during the Inauguration. Crowds are always drawn to the bright, cheerful looking places of business. See us about aupplying electric current at once.

ROBERT KEELING. PAINTER OF MINIATURES, Corcoran Building.

GARNER & CO.,

LL Things Work Together For Good. Men's Overcoats, \$4.98 DLER'S, Seventh Street and Mass, Ave. N. W.

U. S. Electric Lighting Co.

Room Dis. Dress Suits for hire.

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